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25 Years Ago Vo Tech School To Open - Despite past delays, the Carroll County Vocational Technical Center will open its doors on schedule September 7 for the first year operation of the new program, a school official said this week. Frank Mather, administrator of the center, said that all of the school's facilities except for the horticulture area, conference rooms and some lavatories and some equipment will be ready for use on opening day. Earlier reports indicated the vocational school might not be able to open on time. "Enough of the school is ready to provide the children with a full day's program," Mather said. No doubt it will present problems," Mather added, "but it's a lot better than leaving the student with a half-day with nothing to do." The administrator said that in the past few weeks the contractor had put many more men on the job and work was "really moving now." *Democratic Advocate* August 16, 1971.

50 Years Ago Horse Show Big Attraction — 76 Horses and Ponies Compete; Largest Attendance In History; Teeter Cup To Chas. Rider - The twelfth annual horse and pony show, held Sunday at the Westminster Riding Club, drew a large attendance. There were 76 ponies and horses shown on the picturesque show grounds, claimed to be one of the most attractive in the state. The show got off to a start before 10 o'clock and under the supervision of the horse show secretary, William Robinette, the events moved along smoothly and in good time. The show closed after 7 p.m. with the majority of the patrons remaining until the last class contest was completed. One of the features of the show was the presentation of the John S. Teeter Memorial Cup in the open jumping class by the late horseman's widow, who was escorted into the ring to witness the contest and to make the presentation, by the president of the club, Dr. L. N. Hitchcock. The late Mr. Teeter was a horse show enthusiast and patronized many of the shows throughout the seasons with his string of winners. His sons were admired for their horsemanship. First leg on the memorial cup went to Charles Ryder, owner and rider of Big Boy. *Democratic Advocate*, August 16, 1946.

75 Years Ago Several miscreants, evidently unacquainted with the law, overstepped the limits of all practical jokes a few nights ago when beginning at the railroad the crossing gates were left down, continuing through town and carrying porch furniture and house flowers from porches and, in some cases, breaking them, and committing numerous other pranks. It appears there is a dark cloud of suspicion resting over the heads of several of the perpetrators so that a repetition of these acts might result in bringing them face to face with the law. *Union Bridge Pilot*, August 19, 1921.

100 Years Ago James McDonough, who, from a discharge dated July 1st, 1865, found on his person, served in Co. F, 99th Pennsylvania Vols., was found wandering about the streets of this city on Wednesday, in a mentally unsound condition, and was taken into custody by Sheriff Murray and is still detained awaiting the result of inquiries as to his home &c. He is about 60 years of age. He had in his possession between \$40 and \$50; a note for \$300, given by Joseph E. Kelbaugh, at Reading, Pa., April 28th, 1894; a note for \$33, given by Amanda McDonough, Blainesport, Pa., April 6th, 1893; a certified check for \$400 on the Lebanon, Pa., National Bank, dated December 23rd, 1865; and a bank book showing two deposits of \$100 and \$120, respectively, in the Northern National Bank of Lancaster, Pa., and a withdrawal of \$120, the later dated January 27th, 1896. States Attorney Reifsnider telegraphed

the Lebanon Bank for information concerning the man, but received answer that neither the bank nor post office authorities had any knowledge of him. He was taken into custody that he may be cared for until his friends can be found. While he bears an Irish or Scotch name, he speaks with a German brogue, probably from long association with the Germans of Pennsylvania. *American Sentinel*, August 15, 1896.